CONSERVATION ADVISORY BOARD Town of Marilla

Date: March 2, 2005

Members Present: Leonard Janiga

Ralph Burch, Jr. David Muench Diane Fronczek

Members Absent: Warren Cullen, Sr.

Jim Heinrich

Guests:

Town Board: Warren Handley, Councilman

Leonard Janiga, Chairman, opened the work session at 6:40 p.m.

There was a great deal of discussion regarding the requests the CAB has recently received regarding "flag lots. Ralph Burch, Jr. stated emphatically that the CAB was formed with the intention that we become watchers of land growth, protect green space and more importantly, protect farmland in Marilla. The board agreed that many of the recently presented requests for "flag lots" are in essence doing just that—taking our usable farmland for development and must be rejected on that basis alone.

We also discussed the Conservation Overlay District for parcels presented to us. Any wetlands noted on these parcels would need and OK first from the DEC, the Army Corps of Engineers, and the Town Board of Marilla.

Leonard Janiga recommended that we adopt the standardized listing of requirements, a site development checklist that would outline what was required of a person presenting parcels for consideration for "flag lots." This site checklist can be found on page 21091 in the Marilla Town Code book, and a copy can be obtained from the Building Department. The Building Dept. upon receiving all required information from the applicant, would then supply copies of the application to the CAB, the Planning Board and the Town Board.

The CAB is aware of several proposals for site development and we plan to make the Planning Board aware of these issues. Some of these proposals affect prime farmland and subdivision issues.

The working session was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

The next regular meeting for the CAB will be April 5, 2005 at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Fronczek, Recording Clerk